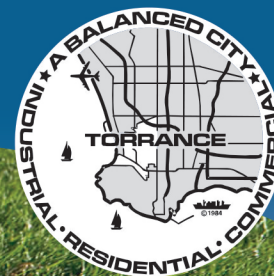


TURF'S UP

Turf Removal Program



Remove your water-guzzling lawn and replace it with a water-wise “California Friendly Landscape” and receive a \$2 per square foot rebate!

Did You Know?

- Lawns are thirsty! A typical lawn uses 40-50% of the average single family's water consumption
- “California Friendly” landscape water use is only 20-50% of a lawn
- Fall is the best time to plant in California.
- Replacement of a typical front yard lawn with a “California Friendly” landscape could save 15,000 gallons of water annually!



Before



After

California Friendly Landscapes are Beautiful and Friendly to the Environment



How to Qualify for the Rebate Program:

Visit www.SoCalWaterSmart.Com or call 888-376-3314

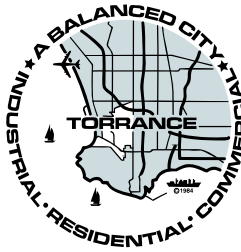
Note: Pre-qualification and approval is required prior to initiation of the project and compliance with city guidelines/eligibility requirements under spotlight at TorranceCA.Gov/PublicWorks.

* Funding is limited and is on a first-come, first-served basis. Rebate is paid after installation.

As you may be aware California is in severe drought. Please do your part and conserve now! For more information on Water Conservation California Friendly Landscaping Rebates, and incentive programs please go to our regional water conservation Website at: www.BeWaterWise.Com for qualifying products / programs / eligibility requirements and proven conservation practices.

For additional information refer to: www.TorranceCA.Gov/PublicWorks or call 310-781-6900

Other Websites: www.SaveOurWater.Com and www.CaliforniaDrought.Org



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Turf Replacement Program Informational Guide

Purpose of Water Efficient Landscape: Everyone can Conserve Water!

Did you know, that approximately 40 to 50% of the average single family water use in Torrance is for irrigation of lawns? On average this equates to 36,000 gallons of fresh drinking water annually per Torrance household to irrigate a non-consumable crop in a semi-arid Mediterranean climate. To reduce this water use Torrance is a participant in a regional Turf Replacement Program to replace grass with "California Friendly Landscapes" that use up to 75% less water.

Purpose of this Informational Guide

This Guide is a co-production of the Community Development & Public Works Departments and is intended to serve as a summary of City of Torrance standards for turf removal and California Friendly landscape replacement projects within the Public Right-of-Way and front setbacks on Residential Private Property.

Applicable Torrance Development Standards Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance

Private Property Standards

- That no permit is required to install California Friendly and/or Artificial Turf provided no more than 50% of the Front Setback shall be comprised of Hardscape Materials and that no grading, fences or retaining walls are a part of the project;

Public Right-of-Way Standards (ie Parkways)

- That any vegetation does not exceed a height taller than 18 inches;
- That no loose materials such as stones, pebbles, mulch or decompressed granite, are installed within the parkways, so as to avoid storm run-off violations and/or street damage/potential traffic related issues;
- That if pavers, bricks or flat stone materials are used in lieu of vegetation, they must not be grouted;
- That existing Street trees shall be protected in place and maintained by the property owner to ensure the appropriate viability of the specific tree species; and
- That where no street tree exists, the Streetscape Division (310-781-6900) is contacted for information on having the City install a new tree.

MWD Turf Removal Process and Application:

- The City of Torrance encourages all interested parties to familiarize themselves with Water Conservation practices, rebates, incentives and **FREE** resource materials at bewaterwise.com, our Regional Water Conservation website.
- The Turf Replacement guidelines and application can be found at bewaterwise.com or at the following specific link: <http://socalwatersmart.com/index.php/qualifyingproducts/turfremoval?p=res>
- **To obtain Turf Replacement Rebate all parties must submit application and receive approval via bewaterwise.com prior to initiating any work.**

For further assistance contact Torrance Municipal Water – www.torranceca.gov/1846.htm – or (310) 781-6900 and THANK YOU for advancing Local Water Conservation Efforts!